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H. R. 5532

[Report No. 115–927]

To redesignate the Reconstruction Era National Monument as the Reconstruction Era National Historical Park, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. CLYBURN (for himself and Mr. SANFORD) introduced the following bill;
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[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on April 17, 2018]

A BILL

To redesignate the Reconstruction Era National Monument as the Reconstruction Era National Historical Park, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 *This Act may be cited as the “Reconstruction Era Na-*
5 *tional Historical Park Act”.*

6 **SEC. 2. RECONSTRUCTION ERA NATIONAL HISTORICAL**
7 **PARK.**

8 (a) *DEFINITIONS.—In this section:*

9 (1) *HISTORICAL PARK.—The term “historical*
10 *park” means the Reconstruction Era National His-*
11 *torical Park.*

12 (2) *MAP.—The term “map” means the maps en-*
13 *titled “Reconstruction Era National Monument Old*
14 *Beaufort Firehouse,” numbered 550/135,755 and*
15 *dated January 2017; “Reconstruction Era National*
16 *Monument Darrah Hall and Brick Baptist Church,”*
17 *numbered 550/135,756 and dated January 2017; and*
18 *“Reconstruction Era National Monument Camp*
19 *Saxton,” numbered 550/135,757 and dated January*
20 *2017, collectively.*

21 (3) *NETWORK.—The term “Network” means the*
22 *Reconstruction Era National Historic Network estab-*
23 *lished pursuant to this Act.*

24 (4) *SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means*
25 *the Secretary of the Interior.*

1 **(b) ESTABLISHMENT.**—

2 **(1) REDESIGNATION OF RECONSTRUCTION ERA**
3 **NATIONAL MONUMENT.**—

4 **(A) IN GENERAL.**—*The Reconstruction Era*
5 *National Monument is redesignated as the Re-*
6 *construction Era National Historical Park, as*
7 *generally depicted on the map.*

8 **(B) AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.**—*Any funds*
9 *available for the purposes of the Reconstruction*
10 *Era National Monument shall be available for*
11 *the purposes of the historical park.*

12 **(C) REFERENCES.**—*Any references in a*
13 *law, regulation, document, record, map, or other*
14 *paper of the United States to the Reconstruction*
15 *Era National Monument shall be considered to*
16 *be a reference to the historical park.*

17 **(2) BOUNDARY EXPANSION.**—

18 **(A) BEAUFORT NATIONAL HISTORIC LAND-**
19 **MARK DISTRICT.**—*Subject to subparagraph (D),*
20 *the Secretary is authorized to acquire land or in-*
21 *terests in land within the Beaufort National*
22 *Historic Landmark District that has historic*
23 *connection to the Reconstruction Era. Upon fi-*
24 *nalizing an agreement to acquire land, the Sec-*

1 *retary shall expand the boundary of the histor-*
2 *ical park to encompass the property.*

3 *(B) ST. HELENA ISLAND.—Subject to sub-*
4 *paragraph (D), the Secretary is authorized to ac-*
5 *quire the following and shall expand the bound-*
6 *ary of the historical park to include acquisitions*
7 *under this authority:*

8 *(i) Land and interests in land adja-*
9 *cent to the existing boundary on St. Helena*
10 *Island, South Carolina, as reflected on the*
11 *map.*

12 *(ii) Land or interests in land on St.*
13 *Helena Island, South Carolina, that has a*
14 *historic connection to the Reconstruction*
15 *Era.*

16 *(C) CAMP SAXTON.—Subject to subpara-*
17 *graph (D), the Secretary is authorized to accept*
18 *administrative jurisdiction of Federal land or*
19 *interests in Federal land adjacent to the existing*
20 *boundary at Camp Saxton, as reflected on the*
21 *map. Upon finalizing an agreement to accept*
22 *administrative jurisdiction of Federal land or*
23 *interests in Federal land, the Secretary shall ex-*
24 *pend the boundary of the historical park to en-*

1 *compass that Federal land or interests in Fed-*
2 *eral land.*

3 (D) *LAND ACQUISITION AUTHORITY.—The*
4 *Secretary may only acquire land under this Act*
5 *by donation, exchange or purchase with donated*
6 *funds.*

7 (c) *ADMINISTRATION.—*

8 (1) *IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall admin-*
9 *ister the historical park in accordance with this Act*
10 *and with the laws generally applicable to units of the*
11 *National Park System.*

12 (2) *MANAGEMENT PLAN.—If the management*
13 *plan for the Reconstruction Era National Monu-*
14 *ment—*

15 (A) *has not been completed on or before the*
16 *date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall*
17 *incorporate all provisions of this Act into the*
18 *planning process and complete a management*
19 *plan for the historical park within 3 years; and*

20 (B) *has been completed on or before the date*
21 *of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall up-*
22 *date the plan incorporating the provisions of this*
23 *Act.*

1 **SEC. 3. RECONSTRUCTION ERA NATIONAL HISTORIC NET-**
2 **WORK.**

3 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Secretary shall—*

4 (1) *establish, within the National Park Service,*
5 *a program to be known as the “Reconstruction Era*
6 *National Historic Network”;*

7 (2) *not later than 1 year after the date of the en-*
8 *actment of this Act, solicit proposals from sites inter-*
9 *ested in being a part of the Network; and*

10 (3) *administer the Network through the Recon-*
11 *struction Era National Historical Park.*

12 (b) *DUTIES OF SECRETARY.*—*In carrying out the Net-*
13 *work, the Secretary shall—*

14 (1) *review studies and reports to complement*
15 *and not duplicate studies of the historical importance*
16 *of Reconstruction Era that may be underway or com-*
17 *pleted, such as the National Park Service Reconstruc-*
18 *tion Handbook and the National Park Service Theme*
19 *Study on Reconstruction;*

20 (2) *produce and disseminate appropriate edu-*
21 *cational and promotional materials relating to the*
22 *Reconstruction Era and the sites in the network, such*
23 *as handbooks, maps, interpretive guides, or electronic*
24 *information;*

1 (3) *enter into appropriate cooperative agree-*
2 *ments and memoranda of understanding to provide*
3 *technical assistance;*

4 (4)(A) *create and adopt an official, uniform*
5 *symbol or device for the Network; and*

6 (B) *issue regulations for the use of the symbol or*
7 *device adopted under subparagraph (A); and*

8 (5) *conduct research relating to Reconstruction*
9 *and the Reconstruction Era.*

10 (c) *ELEMENTS.—The Network shall encompass the fol-*
11 *lowing elements—*

12 (1) *all units and programs of the National Park*
13 *Service that are determined by the Secretary to relate*
14 *to the Reconstruction Era;*

15 (2) *other Federal, State, local, and privately*
16 *owned properties that the Secretary determines—*

17 (A) *relate to the Reconstruction Era; and*

18 (B) *are included in, or determined by the*
19 *Secretary to be eligible for inclusion in, the Na-*
20 *tional Register of Historic Places; and*

21 (3) *other governmental and nongovernmental*
22 *sites, facilities, and programs of an educational, re-*
23 *search, or interpretive nature that are directly related*
24 *to the Reconstruction Era.*

- 1 (d) *COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS AND MEMORANDA OF*
2 *UNDERSTANDING.—To achieve the purposes of this Act and*
3 *to ensure effective coordination of the Federal and non-Fed-*
4 *eral elements of the Network and units and programs of*
5 *the National Park Service, the Secretary may enter into*
6 *cooperative agreements and memoranda of understanding*
7 *with, and provide technical assistance to, the heads of other*
8 *Federal agencies, States, units of local government, regional*
9 *governmental bodies, and private entities.*
- 10 (e) *NETWORK DEFINED.—The term “Network” means*
11 *the Reconstruction Era National Historic Network estab-*
12 *lished pursuant to this Act.*

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